

# **Coaching to Quality: Improving Quality and Children's Kindergarten Readiness in Northern Kentucky**

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# Coaching to Quality Partners



# What is Coaching to Quality?

An individualized and data-driven approach to support early childhood professionals and programs as they improve program quality, professional practice and outcomes for children.



# What is coaching?



**According to the Kentucky Early Childhood Professional Development Framework, coaching is an identified technical assistance strategy that is:**

- Goal-specific
- Individual or group
- Primarily face-to-face
- Structured, with modeling and demonstration

**In addition, the Coaching to Quality Collaborative has identified the following characteristics of coaching through this program:**

- Relationship-based
- Individualized
- Strength-based
- Led by a specially trained expert

# Coaching to Quality Outcomes

Participating Type I licensed child care programs:

- Achieve a STAR rating
- Progress on selected indicators on Kentucky's Quality Self-study
- Improve the kindergarten readiness of preschool children as measured by the BRIGANCE Early Childhood developmental screening.

# Results Recently Achieved

- 22 of 39 (69%) participating programs have become STAR-rated
- 620 of 1000 (62%) of children are on-track to be ready for kindergarten according to the BRIGANCE
- 17 of 39 (59%) of programs have met the goal of progress on the Quality Self Study.

# How does it work?

Coaching to Quality is a tiered system of support that offers:

- Monthly coaching visits
- Director roundtable events
- Training for directors and teachers
- Incentives for program supplies
- Assistance with developmental screening
- Development of a plan to support progress towards STARS rating, Quality Self-Study and classroom interventions aligned to developmental screening

# How much does it cost?

Activity	Estimated One-year Cost
Coaching- 4 hours per month	\$1200
Coordination (reporting, travel, planning time, meetings)- 4 hours per month	\$1200
Milestone Incentives	\$500
Training (child development, kindergarten readiness)	\$420
Mileage- 12 trips, 40 miles	\$275
Estimated Total:	\$3595

*This is a basic program estimate to support one center for one year. Additional cost considerations may include office supplies, supervision/administration, leadership activities for directors. Our collaborative would be happy to assist your council in developing a plan for implementation.*



# Questions?

